

## GEORGE DABLING AND ESTHER RICHMAN DABLING

George Dabling, third son of Thomas and Ann Wilson Blankensop Dabling, was born at Worksop, Nottinghamshire, England, on October 4, 1824. He was baptized and confirmed a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at Limington, County of Warwick, England on July 20, 1850, the only member of his family to join the Latter-day Saints Church.

On the 9th of January, 1854, he married Esther Richman Dabling in Sheaford, England. She was the daughter of Mathew and Elizabeth Tagg Richman and her birth date was April 7, 1823 in E. Moulton, Lincoln County, England. She was baptized and confirmed a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Pennyhill, Holbeach Lin., England on July 15, 1848.

They left Liverpool, England, on February 2, 1855 on the ship Sidons and arrived in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on April 20, 1855. They lived in Warwick, Cecil County, Maryland, for several years. Their only daughter, Elizabeth Ann, was born there on March 13, 1858. She died February 13, 1860, and Mrs. Dabling's mother, Elizabeth Richman died in Warwick, Md., October 22, 1858.

Mr. and Mrs. Dabling came to Utah in 1862. There is no family record of the company they traveled with or the route they took. It is known that Mrs. Dabling's father, Mathew Richman, who was with them, died July 17, 1862 and is buried at Florence, Nebraska. They settled at Mound City, (Midway) where their only son, George Alfred Gordon Dabling, was born July 20, 1864.

George Dabling was a blacksmith by trade and his wife, Esther, was known as an excellent cook and a thrifty and prudent housekeeper. They were called to serve a mission in Arizona in 1876 and they lived in a United Order Colony there. Mr. Dabling served as a blacksmith and butcher and Mrs. Dabling supervised work in the kitchen and served also as midwife. They were released from this mission in 1877. They returned to Wasatch County, settling in Wallsburg.

He opened a blacksmith shop in Walls-

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burg, which he operated until his death on June 6, 1887. He was active in his church, serving as superintendent of Sunday School in Wallsburg Ward at the time of his death. He was a large, muscular man with a pleasant manner and a fine singing voice, well loved by his family and many friends.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Dabling made her home with her only son, George A. C. Dabling, and his family. He had married Ada Glenn, July 3, 1882, in Wallsburg. They had ten children. The family moved from Wallsburg to Provo in 1909.

Mrs. Dabling lived the remainder of her life with her son's family, settling at Lund, Idaho, on a farm. She was well loved by all who knew her; a small woman, very neat and proper. Although she lived to be nearly 90 years old, her hair never turned gray. She died December 5, 1912, and is buried in the cemetery at Lund, Idaho.